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By The Editor
PHILIP EVANS

WELCOME to the first issue of **The Weekender**, a new free, community newspaper for South Somerset, distributing in Crewkerne, Chard and Ilminster.

The new publication, out of Fridays to get your weekend off to a great start, is published by Lyme Media & Events Limited, and replaces the monthly journals that have been serving Chard and Ilminster for the past six months.

We hope that our readers and advertisers will like the new publication with the emphasis very much on the community events that makes South Somerset such an interesting place to live and work.

Commenting on the launch of **The Weekender**, Jerry Ramsdale, owner of Lyme Media & Events, said: "The Chard and Ilminster Journals were very popular and we have responded to requests from a number of advertisers and readers to publish on a weekly basis.

"At the same time we have extended our catchment area to cover Crewkerne, where our staff are well known, and we look forward to producing a colourful and vibrant publication which will focus on the community life of South Somerset with the emphasis on entertainment, eating out, sports and a smattering of news.

"This is a new concept and offers advertisers and readers something different from the other weekly publications in the area."

Eight thousand copies of **The Weekender** will be distributed every Friday in Crewkerne, Chard, Ilminster and the surrounding villages.

We are anxious to hear your views on the new format and welcome any comments which should be sent via email to philip@pemedia.co.uk

We hope **The Weekender** will help to make every weekend more enjoyable.

Rotary's taste of Italy at Henhayes

by Marion Draper

OVER 100 diners enjoyed a taste of Italy at a special themed evening held by the Rotary Club of Crewkerne at the Henhayes Centre.

The event was held to raise money for Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research. The local trust representative gave a talk explaining how the organisation started 50 years ago by a couple who lost their own child and has gone from raising £3,500 to millions every year.

Food was supplied by Richard Hall, of Oscars Wine Bar, who donated some of his fee back to the charity.

The room was decorated with Italian posters and flags with piped Italian music while the guests ate. A musical interlude was also provided by female singers Sapphire who added a war time tribute appropriate to the Battle of Britain anniversary and did a superb version of the difficult number Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy.

The evening raised in excess of £ 1,000 with £600 alone made on the raffle thanks to the donations of prizes.

The Rotary Club would like to thank everyone for their support, particularly Mike Montegue for providing the flowers, Peter and Janet Hardwill for publicity and Ron Spencer who organised the evening and received a personal note of thanks from president Michael Dods.

■ PICTURED (below left) - diners at the Crewkerne Rotary Club Italian night.
BELOW: Singing for their supper - the singing group Sapphire

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■ PC Jon Watson - on the move to South Petherton

POPULAR Crewkerne beat manager PC Jon Watson is on the move. His replacement is yet unknown but he will become the beat manager for South Petherton, Martock and the Hamdon areas.

He will work alongside two other beat managers in the area, PC Iain Selley who covers Turn Hill, Wessex and St. Michael's wards, and PC Toni Lines who covers Burrow Hill, Langport and Huish, Islemoor and Curry Rivel beats.

Sergeant Andy Lloyd has also left the area as he has moved to temporary Inspector. There will also be two changes to PCSO roles with Rachel Napper moving from the Hamdons to South Petherton and Charlie Rogers covering the Hamdons.

Speaking about the changes, Sergeant Alan Bell said: "We have refined our neighbourhood line up to make sure we are providing the best possible service to our communities.

"PC Iain Selley is an experienced beat manager and will no doubt bring some new ideas to tackle the concerns of residents. He will also provide some stability which I know is important to people in the area.

"PC Jon Watson has a proven track record as beat manager in another area and I am sure will have a positive impact in his communities."

PC Watson said: "I have been involved in community policing for five years and hope to use my experience to hit the ground running and start tackling problems that are affecting the communities.

"Over the next few months I will endeavour to meet my new communities and appraise myself of local issues. I know that my new area comes with its challenges with regards to anti-social behaviour and criminal damage in particular.

"However, I am excited that I have the opportunity to tackle these problems and I will do so robustly and effectively."

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A NEW children's football club has been granted permission to use the pitch at Happy Valley in Crewkerne, for an initial period of two seasons, by the town council. There will be regular monitoring and a review after the first season. Training sessions will be on Thursdays from 6 -7.30 pm with matches on Sunday mornings.

The club will have responsibility for the checking of the pitch prior to its use and to supply their own goalposts. The cost of marking the pitch will be charged to the club.

CREWKERNE Town Council voted to continue to keep the same principle of giving community grants for 2011/12 as in previous years. They will also cap the grants to a maximum of last year's figures and advertise via posters, stating a restricted amount.

Councillors also agreed that £787.25, the amount in excess of budget, would be transferred from reserves for by- election costs.

HEALTH professionals from Yeovil District Hospital will be visiting Crewkerne to talk about their work both locally and abroad.

The public are invited to join members of the NHS Foundation Trust at the talks where they can quiz the health professionals and find out more information about how to become a member of the Trust, a hospital volunteer or how they can support the Flying Colours Appeal for Yeovil Women's Hospital.

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The district council wants to ensure that any council tax discounts, such as the 25 per cent single person discount, are only being applied to households that are eligible and not to anyone who lives with other adults, unless those adults are disregarded for council tax purposes.

Often single people forget to change their details along with a change of circumstance, anyone receiving a discount for council tax who thinks they may need to update their details is urged to contact South Somerset District Council on 01935 461040.

ALL of Somerset's 18 recycling centres will switch to winter opening hours from today, Friday October 1st, opening at 9am as before but closing at 5pm, two hours earlier.

Open every day of the year except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day, recycling centres take a range of materials, such as cardboard, garden waste, electrical items and textiles, as well as bulky items and hazardous waste.

The sites run under contract by Viridor for the Somerset Waste Partnership reported 72.2 per cent of all material was recycled across the county in 2009/10.

SHOPPERS are being urged to "Check Out Your Packaging" in a new waste awareness campaign run by Somerset Waste Partnership (SWP) with Trading Standards until Sunday October 10th.

The campaign puts the spotlight on packaging, looking at why it is needed, how companies are reducing excess packaging and what shoppers can do to cut their packaging waste. Entries have been coming in all week to the web site at www.somersetwaste.gov.uk .

The campaign will run an online poll to select the worst examples and Trading Standards will take a close look at the results.

Green valley comes to Holyrood

by Marion Draper

VISITORS from Green Valley School who come from Chennai, Tamil Nadu India (previously Madras) were greeted at Holyrood Academy for a week- long visit. The two schools have been connected for 13 years and enjoy regular cultural exchanges.

The small party were greeted by the school choir before a short speech of welcome by headteacher Maurice Hicks.

They were then given a Powerpoint presentation by some of the pupils explaining the itinerary they had planned which included visits to Lyme Regis, Taunton and Street, culminating in a trip to Ilminster Carnival.

The students then presented their friends with Holyrood polo shirts and student diaries before giving them a guided tour of the classrooms.

Addressing the visitors Mr Hicks said: "On behalf of everyone at Holyrood I am delighted to give a very warm welcome to our friends and partners from Green Valley School.

Over the many years our partnership has been running, well over 100 Holyrood students and staff have had the privilege to visit Green Valley.

"They have always spoken about your hospitality and kindness and about the impact this has had on them personally.

"A life changing experience is a phrase often heard after theses visits. We are honoured and grateful that you have come all this way to visit us and hope you have an equally wonderful time while you are with us. We look forward to many more years of friendship in the future so that our young people can continue to benefit from this very special partnership."

Director of Green Valley School, Angelina Dharmarag, replied: "It's very cold but the warmth from you guys is really appreciated. We have been in London visiting places but we really look forward to being with you here, inside classes and outside classes."

■ **WELCOME EXCHANGE: Holyrood Academy and Green Valley School students and staff**

The partnership between the schools started as part of a project by a member of staff 13 years ago and a grant from the British Council has enabled links in both direction with trips every two years from Holyrood by sixth formers and staff who help at an orphanage there.

Mr Hicks said many of the students were so moved by the experience that they have gone back independently.

The schools have run projects together such as a role reversal situation where the Indian students designed bags which were manufactured over here and marketed by Holyrood.Mr Hicks commented that it was a valuable learning tool for all of them.

■ **MUSICAL GREETING: Holyrood Academy students sing to their guests**

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40
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First Tuesday generosity

ILMINSTER resident Michelle Endicott was the recipient of the First Tuesday prize of £100 of vouchers to spend in local businesses back in February.

She used the vouchers to pay for material at A Touch of Elegance, in West Street, to cover two sofas at St Margaret's Hospice in Taunton, helping patients and relatives to relax in The Sanctuary.

Mrs Endicott, herself a nurse who cares for cancer patients in the Yeovil area, was delighted when Sue Woodbury, owner of A Touch of Elegance kindly donated her time and skills to make the covers.

Ms Woodbury said: "I did it because my mum was there two years ago and was well looked after. I was going to do the covers myself, then my back gave out so I must thank my team for helping out."

Mrs Endicott added: "I would like readers to know how a wider community is being helped by the traders of Ilminster, I dare say the value of making up the covers would have addeda couple of zeros on the cost."

■ **SANCTUARY COMFORT: St Margaret's Hospice fundraiser Teresa Wort with Sue Woodbury of 'A Touch of Elegance'**

Red cross ladies hit the catwalk

by Marion Draper

WHEN Crewkerne Red Cross shop manger Jo Hampshire, started a fashion show to display some of the high class bargains at the Falkland Square charity shop, it had a great reception and the locals who modelled had fun and gained confidence

This year was the third event held at the Methodist Church in South Street but was not quite so well attended. Although very grateful for the £240 they raised Mrs Hampshire said perhaps it was time to give it a miss for a year.

Those who did attend, had a very enjoyable afternoon and a bit of a laugh as bubbly Jo made herself a living hat stand for this year's show.

A special guest was Paul Morgan, community legacy manager for the Red Cross who explained how vital Will Aid was to their cause, bringing in around £1 in every £4 of the total donations received each year. He added that they were looking for a Crewkerne area solicitor willing to take part in the scheme which operates during November, when they draw up a basic will without charging their usual fee. Will Aid solicitors hope their clients will donate to Will Aid charities the fee they would normally receive.

The suggested donation level is £75 for a single will, £110 for mirror wills and £40 for a codicil. If there is additional work involved for example, estate planning, solicitors may charge their normal fee for the work.

Deputy manager of the shop, Sarah Cozens also made a short presentation, explaining that they can now get Gift Aid on items donated to the shop for sale, if the people who bring the items are prepared to sign an agreement. Then a special barcode is made and they get their own code should they wish to donate again. The barcoded items are noted on the till roll and for every £10 on a sale, an extra £2.80 is added by HM Revenue and Customs.

This is purely optional and if you want to drop something off for sale without taking part in the scheme, your donation will still be very welcome.

■ PUTTING ON THE GLAM: Models Joan Trusson, Andree Owen, Sandie Duffield-Lock, Susan Hart, Eileen Taylor with Sarah Cozens and Jo Hampshire

■ OOH LA LA: Margaret McCready Strikes a pose

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CREWKERNE Young Farmers Club's 47th Annual Ploughing Match is to be held on Saturday, October 2nd, by kind permission of Mr and Mrs R. Lane on land at Longacre Farm between Cudworth and Chillington just off the Ilminster to Crewkerne road near Kingstone.

There will be ploughing taking place in eight different classes covering machinery from the most up to date, back through the years to vintage trailed ploughs. Up to 70 ploughmen and women are expected to be competing on the day. All the prizes have been donated by sponsors Bredy Ltd., Mike Broom Agricultural Engineer, Countrywide Farmers plc., P. H. Hardwill Ltd., H. R. Hill (Potatoes), Lloyds TSB plc, Mole Valley Farmers, Pearce Seeds Ltd., Pen Mill Feeds Ltd., C. Smart Agricultural Services Ltd., J. H. Swaffield Ltd., Synergy Farm Health, Wydale Plastics Ltd. and Yarcombe Woodlands Ltd.

In addition to the ploughing competition which commences at 10am, there will be working ploughing demonstrations, horse ploughing demonstrations, refreshments and various enter on the day competitions.

A number of local companies have donated prizes for the best work by their machines and the David Brown Tractor Club has donated prizes for the best work done by both vintage and classic David Brown tractors.

The site will be clearly signposted via Ilminster from the A303 and from the A30 between Crewkerne and Chard, admission to the event and car parking are both free. All proceeds from the day will go to local charities.

For any further information on the event please contact Philip Hardwill on 01460 30661, fax 01460 30173 or mobile 07980 864 169.

Maiden Beech cyclists win gold

■ GO GIRL: Young cyclists from Maiden Beech and Swanmead took part in the Go-Ride race

CYCLISTS from Maiden Beech School in Crewkerne and Swanmead in Ilminster competed in a Go-Ride Italian pursuit race at the Tour of Britain 2010 stage 5 finish at Glastonbury.

The race used a section of the finish straight which the tour elite riders competed on.

Six teams competed against each other giving a large crowd exciting races before the tour riders finished.

In total each school competed in two races. Fastest finishers competed for the gold and silver medals, next fastest for the bronze.

Maiden Beech won the gold medal with the fastest time of any team in all the previous stage races.

Swanmead claimed the bronze medal producing the third fastest time of the day behind those set by Maiden Beech.

Pupils were then able to watch some of the best road riders in the world cross the finish line.

The medal presentation was held on the podium with winners receiving medals from Hugh Porter, the former world pursuit champion followed by a great ovation from the watching spectators.

Sports teacher Bob Brunt who works with both schools commented: "Thanks must go to the Go-Ride coaches who have coached and were very supportive on the day.

All pupils left with smiles on their faces, and a desire to cycle again following an unforgettable experience."

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MISTERTON Women's Institute held a fundraising talk with slides on the History of the Tower of London by member Rosemary Snell, who lives in the village. The historical talk made a profit of £316.50 towards their hall roof fund.

The WI will host a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Nurses on Saturday, October 9th 10am-12noon at the WI Hall.

A donation of £2 is requested for tea or coffee and home-made cake. There will also be a bring and buy stall and raffle.

Their next fundraising event for the roof fund will be a Rock 'n Roll night with band JUNK MALE at Misterton Village Hall on Saturday October 16th, tickets £10 to include a ploughman's supper.

ON the first and last Sunday of the month a rock and roll social night is being held at Clapton Village Hall in support of Ronald McDonald House at Bristol Children's Hospital, which gives parents a free place to stay.

The evenings run from 8-10.30pm with an entrance fee of £4 and bring your own refreshments. Call 01460 74151 for details.

THE CHOSEN FEW: CAD chairman Wendy Carne presents Dr Mike Osborne with his award, along with Crewkerne Dental Practice manager Darlene Holloway, Clive Wakely and Clare Draper, store manager of Homefayre

New businesses join the ranks

IT WAS only a small gathering for the annual Crewkerne Action for the Disabled presentation evening this year, held at the Henhayes Centre.

Of the 16 businesses chosen to receive the certificates, which declare them as disability friendly - including five of the newest in the town - only four of those nominated were able to attend Others attending the presentation were members of Chard Disabled Action Group, who run a similar scheme.

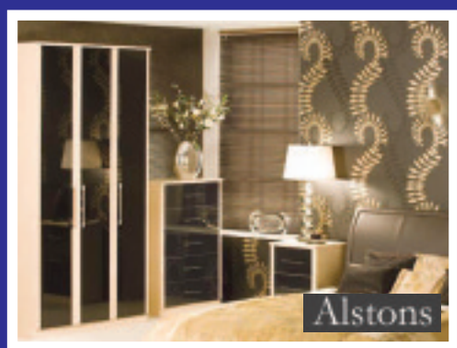
David James gave a short presentation on the work of the group within the community, talking about the all-abilities roundabout and swings they had raised funds for, with the help of the town council.

He said their next project was to obtain funding for an electric hoist for the Aqua Centre and an electric bench for the disabled changing room. This would mean just under £10,000 and he said he was already writing to as many grant sources as possible.

Refreshments for the evening were provided by Waitrose and one of the managers had been due to present the awards but was unwell. Chairman Wendy Carne presented in his stead. She thanked everyone and explained: "We don't give them out to just anybody, it's surprising how long it takes us to go around everywhere."

Shops and businesses are judged on accessibility for wheelchairs and other disabilities as well as attitude of staff and standard of service.

Nominees were: A J Wakely & Sons, Crewkerne Dental Centre, South Street Surgery, Homefayre, Fitting Pretty, Crewkerne Post Office, Marettes, Countrywide, Becky's Barbers, The Stokes Prtnership, Bath Travel, Footprintz, Petals, Stokes Greengrocers, Crewkerne Health Club and Bilbys.



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Judy jumps for joy at 60

A BIRTHDAYskydive by Judy Wallace from Ilminster has raised over £1,000 for the National Deaf Children's Society (NDCS).

Celebrating her 60th birthday, Mrs Wallace, who runs the church youth group, decided to set a good example by fulfilling a lifetime ambition to reach for the skies. She was joined on the dive by daughter Ruth, who works for the NDCS and herself had hearing problems as a child.

Mrs Wallace would like to thank everyone who donated to her effort and said: "So many Ilminster people have been walking up to Alastairor myself and handing in £5, £10 and occasionally £20 for NDCS. It's really lovely to be on the receiving end of so much generosity and to be able to pass it on to such a brilliant charity!"

You can still donate on the website at /www.justgiving.com/JudyWallace.

BE PREPARED: Judy Wallace gearing up for her skydive and (above) flying through the air in celebration of her 60th.

60 Club mystery tour

MEMBERS of the South Petherton 60 Club are pictured awaiting the South West Tours bus to take them on a mystery tour, organised by treasurer Reg Beale. Monthly tours for the group are made possible thanks to subsidies from the Somerset Community Foundation and the parish council.

The 60 Club has been running for over 50 years and meets every Monday, for those who live within the village, at the Blake Hall from 2.30-2.40pm. For details call 01460 241753 or 240005

weekenderpeople club of the month

Fun and learning - just for girls

by Marion Draper

EVERY Monday evening the 2nd Chard Girls' Brigade meets in the Methodist Church hall from 6.30-8pm during term time. They enjoy a range of activities in a Christian environment and take badges which are aimed at developing the girls into well-rounded individuals and cover the themes of spiritual, physical, educational, and service.

The Girls' Brigade (Ireland) began in Dublin in the 1893, at a time when women didn't have the vote and girls were given no formal education and was considered quite radical.

In July 1965 they merged with The Girls'Guildry which was founded in Scotland in 1900 and the Girls' Life Brigade, founded in England in 1902. Together they formed the Girls' Brigade. The aim has always been to offer significant opportunities for girls and young women alongside Christian teaching.

The group accepts girls from the age of four to 18 and there are some things they do separately and some as a whole group, such as playing games, having devotional quiet time and craft activities like making posters for the Harvest Festival.

There is also a tuck shop which is very popular but has a limit of 20p spend to prevent over indulgence and refreshments are served.

There are trips out, a recent one took them to Paignton Zoo for the day and the older girls got enjoy ten pin bowling.

While they enjoy their activities they are encouraged by the leaders to think of others and understand how fortunate they are compared to many people in the world. The Reverend Marilyn Tricker usually drops in for a while to spend time with the girls and they have a church parade once a quarter, when they join the Boys' Brigade.

There are four age groups, the explorers are the four to seven-year-olds, Juniors are eight to ten, seniors ten to 13 then the 14 to 18s are the brigaders. The older girls are encouraged to become officers and give some input into the activities.

The Brigade is a global family and the girls get a chance to mix with district and regional companies which run from Bristol to Cornwall for days out and special activities, enabling the forging of new friendships that can last a lifetime.

The movement has endeavoured to keep up with the times, addressing modern issues like internet safety and how to manage money. Visits from the Police and Red Cross create awareness and give them skills such as first aid.

Officers, Jenny Chance and Mandy Slingsby, said: "The girls like having somewhere to come to where there are no boys to bother them, not to say they don't talk about boys and they know they can talk to one of us if they have a problem.

"We have a lot of fun, like the toast evening where we had six toasters lined up and they could eat as much as they liked with all kinds of different toppings. We do some cooking but are a little limited within the time, so we make pizzas and biscuits.

"It is quite surprising how little they know about the basics of cooking. When we talked about rubbing in, they didn't have a clue and when we mentioned creaming something they said 'we don't have any cream'

"We had a chocolate fountain evening too, that was messy but great fun, and the crafts are particularly popular. We also have a Christmas market every year and sell Tearcraft products then spilt the proceeds for our own funds.

"We don't have a lot of rules, just no chewing gum and good manners and we discourage the use of mobile phones while they are at the meetings."

The fees to join Girls' Brigade are £12 per term and £10 per extra sibling. There are currently 20 girls and they are open to more, especially the younger ones. Girls come from Chard, Tatworth and Chardstock at present but have come from Ilminster in the past and anyone is welcome.

Call Jenny Chance on 01460 53951 or Mandy Slingsby 66313 or just go along one Monday for a free taster session.

■ COME AND JOIN US: 2nd Chard Girls' Brigade in the Methodist Church

■ GETTING READY FOR HARVEST: Members of the Girls' Brigade make posters for the harvest festival

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The curriculum is extensive and varied and includes French and Spanish, as well as high standards and variety in Games, Music and Drama. This was backed up by OFSTED's report, who state that "a stimulating curriculum and outstanding teaching ensure pupils enjoy learning, behave extremely well and make excellent progress."

To help working parents, Chard School provides a Breakfast Club from 8am, and After-School Club until 5.30pm, plus a range of extra curricular activities which take place every day. From this term, children are also now able to enjoy hot school lunches each day, following a successful trial earlier in the year.

At the age of 11, pupils go on to many different secondary schools including Colyton Grammar and a number of state and independent schools in Dorset, Devon and Somerset.

Contact the Headmaster, Mr John Stotesbury, for further information.

A HAPPY and caring environment at the Educational Nursery at Chard School

■ OPEN FOR ALL: Matron Rebecca Miskin,Chairman of the League of Friends Rita Westwood and President Tony Dowse-Brenan receive a cheque from Mary Spurway of Crewkerne Bowling Club

Hospital fete makes a welcome return

by Marion Draper

A QUEUE of people waiting outside Crewkerne Hospital showed how warmly the public welcomed back the annual fete after its absence. There was no event last year due to the work on a new extension and the League of Friends were delighted to be back on track with such great support.

The afternoon started with a cheque presentation from Mary Spurway, secretary of Crewkerne Bowling Club. She had written a book on the history of the club for its centenary year and donated £150 on behalf of the club to the hospital, which they felt appropriate as it isthe oldest charity in the town.

The new nurses' station, consultation rooms and X-ray area were open for the day to allow the public to view the areas paid for by the league's fundraising and gift aid by the public. This year alone, the friends will spend around £60,000, having given a major contribution to the hospital's recent refurbishment. They have fitted out a new kitchen to enable in-house cooking as well as the new nurses' station, offices, laundry and consulting rooms totalling £45,000. They have also replaced the patients' television sets following the digital switchover at a cost of £2,100 and vital equipment such as blood pressure machines and oxygen concentrators totalling £13,000.

Currently they are investigating the cost of replacing the main windows of the listed building and the possible provision of a physiotherapy suite

The Rotary Club and Inner Wheel joined other volunteers to hold various stalls, raffles and games and Brian Cornelius played his street organ.

Chairman of the League of Friends, Rita Westwood, said although she was a little disappointed that a representative of the Primary Car Trust had been unable to make the official opening due to traffic delays, they had raised just over £1,500 on the day and were very pleased.

The staff and friends of the hospital would like to say big thank you to the stallholders and the members of the public who supported them.

■ MUSICAL FUN: Ben Cozens has a go on Brian Corneliusí organ

■ PAID FOR BY YOU: Matron Rebecca Miskin,and Veronica Chard, Rita Westwood and Tony Dowse-Brenan of the Hospital League of Friends in the new x-ray room.

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Doreen loves carnival

■ ONE OF MY FAVOURITES: Doreen Toms with one of the many carnival costumes she has made

THE coming of autumn turns the attention of many local residents to carnival, which brings music, fun and colour to the darker evenings together with a chance for the eccentric and flamboyant to come out on public view.

Chard born and bred Doreen Toms and her husband Marwood have been involved in the town's carnival since it was revived in the 1960s. Now it is truly in the blood with her their son and daughter-in-law both being members of Ilminster Carnival Committee. They even created the Spangles club for their grandchildren.

Doreen first became involved in the children's carnival when she was Tawny Owl in the local Brownie pack. Doreen would love to see a return to the days when there was more involvement by the schools and youth groups She said: "They don't have to do a float, just some costumes and a walking entry would be good to make them a part of the fun."

Doreen was a member of the original Springfield Carnival Club, which amalgamated with Aldonvale to become the highly successful club Gemini, who wowed everyone with their Robin Hood tableau To The Trees last year.

Doreen loves to sew and has made many costumes over the years, which she has, lovingly preserved at home. She has known local Elvis impersonator Barry Paull since he was a child and made his first outfits. Now Doreen enjoys giving talks on the history of carnival and takes some of her costumes along to illustrate them.

One of Doreen's proudest memories was when the last float of the Springfield CC was invited to take part in the Lord Mayor's show in London. They were asked to represent the Imperial Cancer charity. "The theme was celebrating England and the float featured Britannia with red white and blue costumes.

Doreen said: "The atmosphere was amazing. In Somerset people just looke but we were such a novelty up there among all the trade floats that everyone clapped and cheered. We were fed halfway round with all kinds of goodies because it is a long event.

"When I give my talks I centre around the costumes. I think it is a shame that so many costumes get forgotten after all the work that goes into them. One of my favourites is a Chinese style outfit with a hand-sewn dragon on it, appliquéd and enhanced with embroidery. I got the inspiration from a packet of tea. It's surprising where you get ideas from!

"I try to include as much of the history of carnival as possible although some is a little vague. It was supposed to be to do with Lent and came from the word carnivore - Mardi Gras means fat Tuesday. Bridgwater has always stemmed from Guy Fawkes but I do wonder if it was always connected to the harvest here.

"In Chard it was held in the 1920s and 30s to raise money for the hospital and I remember when I was 13 or 14, boys with poles soaked in paraffin or something who were paid to walk alongside and shed light. It stopped in the early 50s and didn't start again until the 60s.

"I have seen a lot of children move on to other clubs and some end up married to other club members. I think carnival is good for young people, it gives them new skills and confidence."

100 happy birthdays

TWO South Somerset residents recently celebrated their centuries.

CHARD resident Ida 'Mac' McCarthy celebrated at Snowdon House with a telegram from the Queen and a party attended by close family and residents of the Yarlington Housing Group Extra Care Scheme where she lives.

When asked what the secret of a happy life was Mac replied: "Be content with what you've got."

Snowdown House manager Jan Skeemer commented: "She's always smiling and positive."

ILMINSTER resident Lady Margaret Tredgold (right), also celebrating 100 years, was born in Kimberly, South Africa.

Her second husband was Sir Robert Tredgold, Chief Justice of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland.

Lady Margaret corresponded with the late Queen Mother for many years after presenting her with a book she had written and illustrated on Wild Flowers of Rhodesia in 1953.

Lady Margaret celebrated at Muchelney House where she now lives.

60 seconds

TONY WALKER is the president of the Rotary Club of Ilminster. Born near Manchester, Tony took early retirement from IBM and set up his own business developing online internet applications such as shopping baskets at a time when there was very little being developed, until Bill Gates stepped in with his huge Microsoft empire.

Now Tony uses a computer as little as possible, only using email and writing documents for Rotary and the National Association of Decorative and Fine Arts Societies, of which he also a member.

● WHAT do you like about Ilminster?
It is just a lovely place with a lovely shopping centre. There are so few national chain shops here, just lots of very good shops and they are not over-priced.

We love our view and all the things we can see and do here, like the Meeting House Arts Centre, The Warehouse Theatre and Dillington House. Don't ask me what I don't like because I can't think of much.

● HAVE you been in Rotary for long?
I was a Rotarian before I came here so when we moved I went straight down to join. It was a much smaller club then only about 20, now we have 36. The club offers a great deal of fulfilment, and straight away you know you are going to make new friends.

The Rotary Club of Ilminster will be celebrating 40 years on May 20th next year. As president this year I am keen to support South Somerset Child Carers, and anything else to do with children, such as the hospice and schools and any other charity of particular importance to our members.

● WHAT brought you to Ilminster?
My wife Gill said she would like to move south or west. We decided Cornwall was too far and her sister is at North Curry. We had been looking in South Petherton and always knew the house was either going to be right or wrong, nothing in between. I was fed up with looking when Gill's sister suggested we look at Ilminster. As we came down East Street I brightened up and we parked outside Greenslade Taylor Hunt. Gill looked in the window and said that's it, we were able to look at it straight away and have never looked back.

● HOW do you spend your leisure time?
When I am not busy with Rotary, I like to enjoy the garden although I am know nothing about gardening and have to employ professional help. I like bell ringing, we are looking for more ringers in Ilminster as we have a ring of eight and can't get enough. I also go to the Thursday group which is on Thursday mornings in the Warehouse Theatre - we have wonderful speakers. I like the theatre and go to the Warehouse and to Bath and enjoy visits with NAFDAS.

● WHAT kind of music do you enjoy?
I am a great Wagner fan and symphonies with a big sound. I used to go to Covent Garden but it is too expensive now. I would love to see more music here. Last year Rotary held a classical concert for Polio Plus.

● WHAT would you need on your desert island?
My feeling is I would make do with what was there and make things to get by. I would like some books - thrillers - and it would be nice to listen to music. I would love to have Wagner's The Ring and really get to know it. I'd love to be able make my own beer.

● DO you cook?
Gill's a very good cook. I used to do a lot and said I had never met a girl who could cook as well. We had a period when she did the majority and I cooked Chinese and Indian, now she does most of it.

We like going out to eat and wish there were more restaurants rather than takeaways in Ilminster. We love fish and going to Lyme Regis to get fresh crab.

● IF you could meet anyone, past or present, who would it be?
I would love to meet Elgar, I love his music and would like to know how it is so very English. I do like music but I am no musician so would need it explained in layman's terms. It would be lovely to meet Wagner but he might be a bit frightening. I did meet Sir Malcolm Sergeant once, he was interesting.

● IF you could go back in history what period would you choose?
I love the Victorian dramas and you can read Dickens but to a certain extend our vision is sanitised, mainly because we cannot experience the smells. I often sit and wonder what it was really like.

● DO you have any unfulfilled ambitions?
I consider myself really lucky, I have had a good life but I would love to have learned to fly. I am colour blind and, had I been able to, I might have gone into the RAF. I would also love to drive a train. Our daughter paid for a day's training to drive a steam engine on the Bluebell Line .

● HAVE you travelled much?
We have a house in France but we didn't want to retire there. We hadn't travelled much until recently as Gill's father was very elderly and got agitated if we were gone but he passed away on New Year's Eve 2008.

The first thing we did this year was go to Australia, it's a vast country. We want to go to India and China and have friends in the USA. We are going to the Passion Play at Oberammergau this year as it is only every ten years and we thought if we don't do in now we may not ever.

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Get involved with Older People's Day 2010 1st October 2010

THIS year's theme of UK Older People's Day 2010 is 'getting and staying active in later life'. Encouraging people to prepare well for, and enjoy a positive later life benefits each of us individually and society as a whole – and physical activity can make a major contribution towards the health of people of all ages, abilities and interests.

Helping people to stay active as they get older provides many specific benefits, for example it:

- ***helps maintain independence***
- ***is a good way of maintaining and increasing social networks***
- ***gets you out and about in the local community***
- ***is an opportunity to learn new skills***
- ***increases energy levels and zest for life***

Not all events will be about physical activity though. There are plenty of other ways for people to get involved with Older People's Day this year.

Over 100,000 people were involved last year, taking part in activities which delivered real benefits to their community, or were simply a good fun way to spend an afternoon, meet new friends or try something different.

All companies and organisations on these pages strive to offer the very best standard of service and care in our area to our elderly citizens. They embrace the spirit of Older People's Day 2010 by increasing quality of life and offering help, advice and care when it is most needed.

10 years of care in the South West

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The Agency has relocated to Teignmouth in order to be able to 'service' clients from a more central point covering Dorset, Somerset, Devon and Cornwall.

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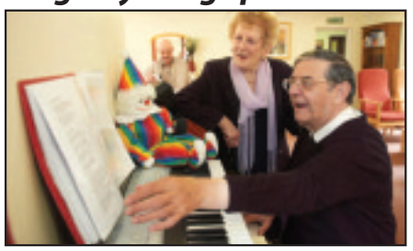

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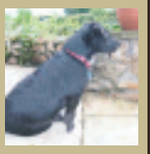

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THE Henhayes Centre, situated in Crewkerne off the South Street car park next to the Aqua Centre, is being run as a community centre for the whole town. Several of the activities held at the centre are part of the Somerset Active Living programme which is aimed at keeping the over 55s fit and healthy. There is also a group open to anyone who is perhaps becoming less mobile but wants to maintain contact with others and have an interesting day out once a week. This group takes place each Tuesday from 9.30am to 2.30pm. There are organised activities for those who want to take part – some just like to meet up and chat – such as painting, craftwork and card making. These groups have been run by U3A members and the Trustees of the Henhayes Centre are very much in their debt for the donation of their skills, patience and time.

The U3A also hold some of their interest group meetings at the centre and along with keep fit for over 55s, yoga, short mat bowls, computer classes, gardening club, knit and natter and craft groups provides a wide range of interests for the people of Crewkerne whatever their age.

It is hopefull that the CAVE club (Crewkerne and Villages Entertainment Club) designed for young people aged under 18 will use the centre as a venue. The inaugural event was a damp squib due to lack of publicity but a revised date has been set for Friday 29th October. A similar club is working well in Yeovil and has a zero tolerance to drink, drugs and bad behaviour.

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Summer into autumn shows

MARY Burgess, who said that flower arranging had stopped her being bored in her retirement, won the class at the Winsham Flower Show staged in the village by the horticultural society.

■ GOLDEN CELEBRATION: Committee members of the Tatworth and District Horticultural Society

TATWORTH and District Horticultural Society's annual show was awash with gold this year as they celebrated their 50th year with some special classes. There were golden flower arrangements and yellow vegetables.

The village hall was a sight to see, with the walls lined with artwork by the children and the photography entries displayed on the stage. It was particularly exciting for the youngest entrants to come through the doors at opening time and see if they had a prize. Seven year old Chloe Grinter made a very striking collage of a scarecrow out of wheat, straw and pulses with a shell face.

A special attraction this year was a separate display of local arts and crafts including a demonstration by the ladies of the Tatworth Lace Group.

In spite of the third difficult growing season in a row, the number of exhibits were the highest for several years and the quality, in the opinion of the judges, was extremely good. In the words of retiring chairman John Cotton it was: "The most colourful and varied show that I have ever seen".

Frank Long, a founder member of the society, presented the trophies and councillor Jill Shortland was the highly efficient auctioneer. The Members` Cup for the most points in show was a keenly fought contest with Joan Churchill just managing to take the trophy from last year`s winner Eric Peadon. The Jeanes Cup for the best exhibit in show, in the opinion of the committee, was a beautiful piece of cross-stitch work by 87 year-old John Lee.

■ THEMED DISPLAY: Marion Hansell with her Golden Wedding winner

■ DELICATE WORK: Mary Wardell and Shirley Pavey from Tatworth Lace Group

■ VEGETABLE CHAMP: Mark Lewis with his trug of mixed veg

A FIVE year old girl went home very happy from her local flowers show after collecting the cup for the most points in the children's section. Hannah Day was a first time entrant to the Seavington Gardening Club annual show. The eager little girl, who had told her mother she was determined to win, came first with a magnificent butterfly made out of a wooden spoon and the best chocolate Rice Krispie cakes plus second for a picture of fireworks and a photograph of a day out.

In the adult categories, Jane White had 36 points with winss in the floral, vegetable and craft ensections, Pauline Parsons with 28 was queen of the dahlias and Vernon White knew his onions and gained 22 points.

John Tudor, a long standing member of the club, took over the role of presenting the prizes this year following the sad loss of Peter Longhurst. He commented: "I was told presenting the prizes was the Seavington equivalent of a knighthood and as I didn't make the Queen's birthday list, this is the next best thing!"

■ DRIVING AMBITION: Five year old Hannah Day receives the cup the most children's points from John Tudor

■ FLORAL DELIGHT: Pauline Parsons

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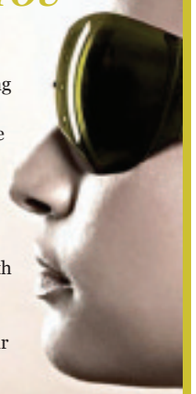

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Cheering the tour through the streets of Ilminster

by Marion Draper

ILMINSTER came alive with cheering children, balloons, banners and bunting as the Tour of Britain cyclists rode through.

Pupils of Swanmead School lined the pavement outside as the spectacle passed by them on Ditton Street. Along with local residents they cheered and waved as police motorcycle outriders and support cars came through, followed by the riders in two groups, heading for the end of stage 5 at Glastonbury.

In the Market Square, Greenfylde School pupils were also waving their flags while Michael Fry-Foley gave a commentary as to the progress of the incoming competitors who were heading in from Horton via Donyatt and Sea. There was a display about the Ilminster Experience and Jane Pinkney from Bilby's offered free refreshments in the Market House, spiced apple juice and their own Somerset apple cake.

It was a day many would remember, especially at Swanmead where the pupils had been studying the progress of the race and the different colours the teams were wearing, they even had a racing bike in the school.

The cyclists themselves came through so fast, it was hard to spot who was who but the outriders did a fantastic job of stirring up the crowd and the children particularly enjoyed seeing so many motorcyclists with sirens and flashing lights and cars with horns beeping driving past at a somewhat faster speed than the 20mph norm for Ditton Street.

■ WAVING THEM THROUGH: The leaders of the Tour of Britain Stage 5 pass Swanmead School

■ CHEERING GROUP: Swanmead students outside the Adult Learning Centre

Arts and crafts fundraiser

■ LOCAL TALENT: The Reverend Sue Tucker admires the carvings of George Spurway with his grandson Keiran

A LOCAL arts and crafts exhibition held at St Mary's Church in Chard resulted in a tripling of fundraising for St Margaret's Hospice.

The two day event saw the church lined with a wide range of art and craft skills by local people of all ages. There were demonstrations of watercolour painting, glass engraving, lacemaking and woodcarving with a medley of wartime tunes played on the piano by Alan Hayman as a tribute to the 70th anniversary of the Battle of Britain.

The Reverend Sue Tucker greeted the afternoon visitors by saying: "We have an incredibly talented town. A big thank you to all who have exhibited and those who organised this after months of planning and it is a step up from last year, so welcome and enjoy the afternoon."

Church warden John White said expanding to arts and crafts had been a good decision and it was just what the church was about, bringing in people and involving the wider community.

Last year they had raised over £200, this time the total was £611.17.

Rotary grateful for water box support

■ ILMINSTER Rotarians, Edward Wells, John Rendell, Roy Pickett and Terry Bates collecting for water boxes

THE ROTARY Club of Ilminster made special collections outside the Tesco and Co-operative stores in the town to raise money for life saving equipment for flood victims in Pakistan.

The special Water-Survival Boxes are designed to support a family of five who have lost their homes and all their possessions following a disaster. The first priority in the boxes, which cost only £150 each including freight, is a water purification kit which turns the box itself into a valuable water container with the help of a special filter and hand pump. The life-saving containers are also packed with useful essentials such as cooking pots, tools and utensils, candles, a wind up torch, string, plastic sheets, first aid and personal hygiene items.

The Rotarians would like to thank everybody for their generosity as the two days of collecting raised a total of £760.

Lose weight in time for Christmas

With the party season in the not too distant future, and Christmas just 12 weeks away, it is never too early to start thinking about how you can lose weight before the festive period.

Christmas comes but once a year, a time to eat, drink and be merry. And for those of us who have been watching our waistlines throughout the year, the temptation to overindulge on both food and alcohol in pursuit of the Christmas spirit is all too real.

Research shows that the average person gains between five and ten pounds between November and January. You may ask yourself what hope do we have in reaching a healthier weight before Christmas and maintaining it over the festive season?' The answer lies in starting your weight-loss journey now and setting goals and rewards that will spur you on to your main goal - your ideal weight, and a healthier life.

If you have a weight-loss goal to reach by Christmas, then LighterLife Total or Lite could be the solution for you. Through the use of nutritionally balanced soups, shakes and bars, clients are able to lose weight quickly and safely, and maintain their weight loss. Weekly, single-sex group meetings are the other key feature of LighterLife. Run by your local LighterLife Weight-Management Counsellor Lynn Baynes, they're designed to help clients explore some of the reasons why they put on weight – because there's usually a bit more to it than simply 'eating too much'. Understanding why you overeat, learning new ways to think and behave, and leaving unhelpful habits and behaviours behind you will all lead you to live lighter in the future. In addition to this, with LighterLife you also have the support of a LighterLife Counsellor who will be there from the start of the programme and continue to support you in your weight-management for as long as you need them to.

Lynn has already helped local men and women shed an incredible 925 stone!

So if you are ready to shed those pounds before Christmas why not give Lynn a call to find out more about LighterLife or to book a FREE Information Session appointment call Lynn on 01935 479686 visit www.lighterlife.com

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Going Out Art

Two new exhibitions at Ilminster Arts Centre

AN Exhibition of Paintings by Jill Preston and Jo Hamilton, and Photographs by Rich Ellis will be on display in the Main Gallery at Ilminster Arts Centre at The Meeting House.

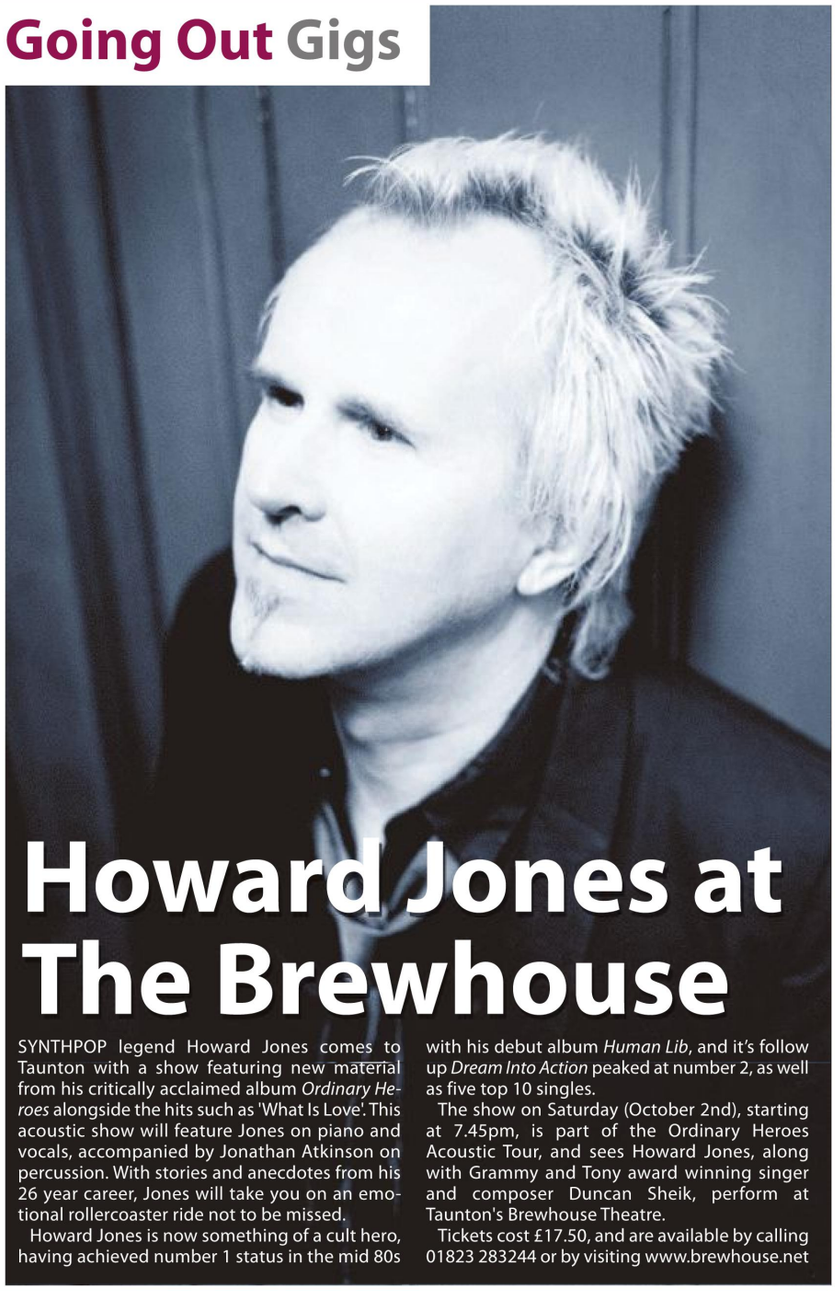
The 'Hints and Impressions' exhibition will be displayed from Monday, October 4th to Saturday, October 16th.

The subtle mix of Jill's semi-abstract impressionistic paintings; Jo's individual take on life drawings and Rich's evocative photographs make for an exhibition which has something for everybody.

Also on display in the Cafe Gallery will be the 'Emotional Barriers' exhibition of work by Dainee McEvansoneya. Dainee is an active member of the Somerset Emerging Artists Network, and her work combines acrylic painting and printmaking, referring to ageless Celtic imagery.

For more details on the exhibition call 01460 55783 or visit www.themeetinghouse.org.uk. The exhbitions will be open daily from 9.30am - 4.30pm and Saturday 10am - 2.30pm.

Going Out Gigs



Howard Jones at The Brewhouse

SYNTHPOP legend Howard Jones comes to Taunton with a show featuring new material from his critically acclaimed album *Ordinary Heroes* alongside the hits such as 'What Is Love'. This acoustic show will feature Jones on piano and vocals, accompanied by Jonathan Atkinson on percussion. With stories and anecdotes from his 26 year career, Jones will take you on an emotional rollercoaster ride not to be missed.

Howard Jones is now something of a cult hero, having achieved number 1 status in the mid 80s with his debut album *Human Lib*, and it's follow up *Dream Into Action* peaked at number 2, as well as five top 10 singles.

The show on Saturday (October 2nd), starting at 7.45pm, is part of the Ordinary Heroes Acoustic Tour, and sees Howard Jones, along with Grammy and Tony award winning singer and composer Duncan Sheik, perform at Taunton's Brewhouse Theatre.

Tickets cost £17.50, and are available by calling 01823 283244 or by visiting www.brewhouse.net

Going Out Gigs

It's a pleasure!

King Pleasure and The Biscuit Boys to play at The David Hall

ENJOY a night of unbelievable swing and jazz at The David Hall this Saturday (October 2nd) as King Pleasure and The Biscuit Boys join the Hall's 21st birthday celebrations.

Not only will the night be loud and energetic, but the band are top musicians, playing their own mix of rhythm and blues, jazz and swing - get ready to dance the night away!

King Pleasure and The Biscuit Boys play at South Petherton's David Hall on Saturday, October 2nd, with the performance starting at 8pm.

Tickets can be booked and paid for via the website www.thedavidhall.org.uk They can also be purchased at N & D News, St James Street, South Petherton and reserved by calling 01460 240 340 or by e-mailing boxoffice@thedavidhall.org.uk

● **PARTY TIME!** King Pleasure and The Biscuit Boys

Massive weight and inch losses expected at Local Health Club

THE facilities at Crewkerne Health Club which is situated behind Oscars Wine Bar in Crewkerne have had a massive boost with a refurbishment carried out in the last week of August 2010.

The facility is coming up to celebrating it's 3rd birthday and joint owner Jerry Cooke says "we thought it was about time that the existing members had a bit of a change and something fresh to get their teeth into, also there are many active retired people in and around the Crewkerne area who maybe don't feel comfortable in a traditional gym setting. Our new Strength and Conditioning Studio contains air powered fitness machines by Keiser(US) which are extremely safe and effective particularly for ladies and our active, or less active older populations"

Jerry told us that once the members have had a chance to try out the new equipment, the room would be utilised for a variety of exercise classes using the Keiser equipment and also core stability and abdominal exercise stations to make exercising fun, friendly and effective, and perhaps most importantly quick!! The planned exercise classes will only be between 30 and 45 minutes duration. Sessions available will include Ladies Only, Seniors only, School Run "pick up" 30 minute "Body Blitz" and Metabolic Booster. There will also be a "Power Circuit" for those interested in enhancing their existing training with speed based workouts.

As a special promotion to celebrate the refurbishment, anyone interested in trying out the facilities can do so by going to www.crewkernehealthclub.co.uk on the "contact us" page, and click the link to a "win a free year" All entrants will automatically receive a free 7 day pass. For further information check out the website or contact Jerry or Leah on 01460 78901.

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Staying In TV

INBETWEENERS END IN SIGHT | Hit comedy The Inbetweeners is to be axed by its own creators - because its schoolboy characters are getting too old. Co-writer Damon Beesley said: "In our minds, we've always thought that this series, this (school) year, is obviously the closing of the story. I don't anticipate there being another series of them at school. We've got a movie in the pipeline, where they are going away on their first holiday together without their parents - which is obviously an important part of the story. And then they are going to disappear and go off to different universities."

FLO AND FRENCH FLAIR | Doctor Who star Matt Smith wants quirky pop star Florence Welch to appear on the hit show. He said the Florence and the Machine singer would be ideal in a cameo role, and also added that he'd like to see the Gallic flair of former French footballer Eric Cantona in the next series.

COWELL TIPS COLE FOR HAT TRICK | X Factor supremo Simon Cowell has tipped Cheryl Cole to win her third series of the show because she's got the best acts. It was announced on last night's show that Cheryl has been given the girls, a category that Simon rates above the other three.

Asked if this year's acts were the best yet, he said: "In terms of what I've seen so far, particularly in that girls category, it should be a stronger year."

The final 32 were announced last night before the judges houses section of the hit TV talent show start next week, and whilst Cheryl Cole was delighted with being given the girls, Cowell and Louis Walsh - who were given the groups and the unfancied over-28 category respectively – were less impressed.

Dannii Minogue makes up the panel and has the boys category. Next week will see the judges whittle the final 32 down to 12 - three in each category - ahead of the live finals which start on October 9.

CHERYL'S LIFE STORY | Cheryl Cole has set a date to appear on Piers Morgan's Life Stories. As well as discussing her divorce from Ashley, Cole is expected to talk about the recent bout of malaria which left her in intensive care, and about her relationship with rumoured boyfriend Derek Hough.

● **SHANE RICHIE** Promising big things from Eastenders

BIGGEST STORYLINE EVER? | Speaking on the *This Morning*, Shane Richie was in buoyant mood about his return to EastEnders and tipped his latest storyline to be one of the biggest in the soap's history.

Kat and Alfie Moon, played by Richie and co-star Jessie Wallace, waved goodbye to Albert Square in 2005, but five years on they're making a return to EastEnders. Shane Richie said:

"Tony Jordan who created the Slaters and the Moons, he had this great idea that there should be a 'spin off' with Kat and Alfie and the idea was that they make it to Vegas and this whole scam went on… Sadly that didn't happen, but Alfie's been up to some dodgy deals and it all comes back to bite him on the backside later on…"

Shane added, "We did [these first scenes] three months ago and so much has happened since…Kat is pregnant and we don't know if it's mine - she calls me a 'jaffer' being seedless....and we do find out if Alfie is or isn't [the dad]. But this is the whole build up now to Kat making a nest for the baby."

He also told host Phillip Schofield they'd be moving into the pub: "Yes. Kat and Alfie are in the Queen Vic and it looks very much like it did when we left in 2005 – but of course they are rebuilding sets because we're going HD. So we go make up at 9.30am and botox at 9.45am!"

FESTIVE ROCK AND CHIPS | The Inbetweeners star James Buckley will return to our screens this Christmas as a fresh-faced Del Boy in an all new Christmas special of Rock & Chips. The Beeb has planned two hour-long specials of the Only Fools And Horses prequel, meaning it will be a cushdy Christmas for fans of the show.

Going Out Theatre

YAOS PERFORM THE BOY FRIEND

YEOVIL Amateur Operatic Society's (YAOS) performance of The Boy Friend hits the stage at the Octagon Theatre this Monday (October 4th) and runs through to Saturday (9th).

The Boy Friend is a musical comedy, and is one of the most successful stage musicals of modern times, running for over five years in London's West End, and then a year on New York's Broadway.

Performances start at 7.30pm nightly, and the Saturday matinee at 2.30pm.

Tickets for the opening night and matinee performances cost £11 (all seats), other performances cost £13 (side), £15 (centre), or £40 family saver (4 seats). For more details or bookings call 01935 422884 or visit www.octagon-theatre.co.uk

Going Out Gigs

The ZZ Tops to rock the Barn

THE ZZ TOPS blew the place away on their last visit to The Barn at The Square and Compass, so don't miss them this time! They were formed in 2007 to celebrate the music and career of one of the greatest rock n' roll bands of all time. Comprising of Franks Weird on Drums, Dusty Thrills on Bass Guitar and the Rev Billy F Bigguns on Guitar, that li'l ol' band from Devon nails the look, the sound and the overall vibe of the Texas Trio with the beards, the cheap sunglasses, the

fuzzy guitars, the outfits, and all the moves!

The ZZ Tops' shows place great emphasis on ZZ Top's actual live performances thus creating the most dynamic stage show, packed full of brilliantly played classics from the early 70s and 80s, through to the new releases of today.

In 2008 they had the opportunity to meet the their heroes in the flesh and show them what they'd been doing. Billy Gibbons of ZZ Top commented: "It's the closest I've seen!" Praise indeed!

Don't miss out when this show comes to town and don't forget your cheap sunglasses!

The ZZ Tops play at The Barn at The Square and Compass, Windmill Hill, near Ilminster tonight (Friday, October 1st). Doors open 8pm and the show starts at 9pm.

Tickets are £10 when booked in advance, telephone 01823 480467 for bookings or more details.

● **NEXT BEST THING** The ZZ Tops

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DIARY DATES

FRIDAY OCTOBER 1ST
CREWKERNE: A Jazz Concert with supper is being held in the Church Hall, Abbey Street at 7.30pm. Tickets £8 each are available from Rosemary Prince on 74290. Jazz provided by 'Sounds Cool'.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 2ND
CREWKERNE: Coffee Morning at Crewkerne & District Museum, from 10am-12noon. All Welcome.
CLAPTON: Quiz and Supper evening all welcome, at the Village Hall from 7pm. Telephone 01460 75380 for more details.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 3RD
CLAPTON: Rock N Roll Social Evening at Clapton Village Hall 8-10.30pm. Bring your own refreshments. Entry is £4. Telephone 01460 74151 for more details.

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 6TH
CHARD: You Be The Judge at Crowshute House from 7pm. Telephone 01935 426281 for more details.

THURSDAY OCTOBER 7TH
CLAPTON: Film: 'Cinema Paradiso' at the Village Hall. Organised by C&W Film Society. New members welcome. Doors, bar, tea/coffee from 7.30pm, film from 8pm.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 8TH
WHITELACKINGTON: Chocoholics Night at Whitelackington Village Hall from 8pm. Telephone 01460 55606 for more details.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 9TH
CREWKERNE: Table Top Sale at Crewkerne Conservative Club. £5 per table. Starts 11am.
NORTON-SUB-HAMDON: Autumn Jumble sale at Norton-Sub-Hamdon Village Hall. Doors open 11am. Telephone 01935 881718 or more details.
MISTERTON: Macmillan Coffee Morning at Misterton WI Hall, Middle Street 10am - 12noon. Tea/cofee and home made cake for £2 donation to this very worthy cause. Bring and buy stall and raffle aswell. All welcome. Telephone 01460 74982 for more details.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 9TH & SUNDAY 10TH
NORTH PERROTT: Apple Tasting / Craft Weekend at North Perrott Farm Shop and Garden Centre, Southern Concervatory Site. 11am - 4.30pm. Village Hall will be serving refreshments at the event, profits from the refreshments go towards Hall funds.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 10TH
CREWKERNE: Walk & Lunch from West Street car park, from 11am. Walk approximately one and half hours to the venue and about half hour back to the cars after lunch. £4 adults, £2.50 children (under 16 years old). Organised by Crewkerne and District Twinning Association. Please book on 01460 73045.

MONDAY OCTOBER 11TH
MISTERTON: Bingo at the Village Hall, from 6:45pm-7:30pm. Good prizes, hampers and grand raffle. Refreshments
available. In aid of St Martin's Church. Telephone 01460 72883 for more information.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 16TH
WHITELACKINGTON: Car Boot and Table Top Sale (disabled access) at Whitelackington Village Hall from 10am - 1pm. Telephone 01460 55606 for more details.
MISTERTON: Rock N Roll the night away at Misterton Village Hall from 7.30-11pm to 60s, 70s and 80s music by local group *Junk Male* (who are performing free of charge to raise funds for the W.I. Hall Roof Fund). Tickets £10 (includes ploughmans supper and home made cake by the W.I. ladies). Over 18's only. Bar, dancing, raffle, prizes. Tickets from: 01460 76909/74982/78931.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 22ND
CREWKERNE: Crewkerne and District Twinning Association AGM with cheese & wine at the Speedwell Club, from 7:30pm. Free to members and interested parties.
TATWORTH: Film: 'Invictus' at Tatworth Memorial Hall, organised by T&F Movies. Doors open 7.30pm, film from 8pm. Telephone 01460 220198 for more details.

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Simon and Tracey are year at The Gallery

DINING OUT IN SOUTH SOMERSET with PHILIP EVANS

SIMON and Tracey Cooper are celebrating their first year at The Gallery Café Bar and Bistro in Holyrood Street, Chard.

They moved to South Somerset from Wiltshire where they ran a village pub, having gained extensive experience in the hospitality industry working for several years in Jersey.

Tracey hails from New Zealand and comes from a family of food lovers. She has an extensive background in catering and works closely with chef Jonathan Clayton, who worked on the QE2 for three years, to source local produce and prepare a new menu each month.

The food at The Gallery is predominately classic and modern European with a distinct Pacific flavour, a nice touch being a list of local suppliers on the reverse side of the menu.

Simon grew up in Tiverton, Devon. Having spent many years involved with Jersey Tourism as a water ski instructor and beach concession manager, he enjoys being back in England's South West with Tracey as The Gallery's mine hosts.

Whatever the occasion, The Gallery can offer the ideal venue with Simon and Tracey making sure you and your party are well looked after.

When my wife Jackie and I visited on Saturday evening, the "fully booked" sign was already on the front door, always a good sign, and Simon came bounding down the stairs to welcome us with a firm handshake.

We were shown to a comfortable corner in the upstairs restaurant for a pre-dinner gin and tonic and complimentary good quality olives.

The service was friendly and attentive from the start and for starters I chose the pistachio potted duck paté infused with brandy, served with hot toast and a very tangy home-made onion marmalade. (£5.90), accompanied by Simon's very own recipe dressing for the green salad. It was so moorish that I asked for more toast and marmalade to be able to wipe the ramekin clean.

Jackie went for the New Zealand mussels in a mild red Thai curry, fragrant with lime, ginger, coriander and coconut (£6), and declared that it had "quite a kick" which encouraged me to taste a spoonful of the liquor in which coconut was the dominant flavour. Other starters available included home-made soup served with toasted ciabatta (£4.50); a Tex Mex platter for two including spicy chicken wings BBQ baby back ribs, cheese and bacon loaded potato skins, buttery corn on the cob, served with salsa and mayonnaise (£12); and baked Capricorn goat's cheese with balsamic vinegar studded with rosemary and garlic (£5.90).

Having had four pieces of toast and paté for starters I was anxious not to chose an over-filling main course to which I wouldn't do justice. My choice was perfect; a roasted three bone best end rack of lamb, sitting tantalisingly on a bed of in-season broad beans and new potatoes with the lightest of minted hollandaise sauce (£14.95).

The lamb was cooked to perfection, pink and tender, and the broad beans, one of my favourite vegetables, were as sweet and succulent as I have ever tasted. But the real triumph was the light and translucent hollandaise sauce. This classic French sauce is often served gloopy but this was so light and minty, a perfect complement to the lamb.

Jackie chose the grilled fillet of hake with buttered

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■ MINE HOSTS: Simon and Tracey Cooper - celebrating their first year at The Gallery Café Bar and Bistro in Chard

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OUR MENU

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samphire greens, herby mash and saffron butter sauce (£13.95), a substantial dish which looked very enticing on the plate. The thick firm white meat had a delicate flavour, with the samphire and herby mash being an ideal accompaniment.

Other main courses from The Gallery's September menu included whole partridge with a reduction of red currants and red wine served with chateaux potatoes, glazed carrots and wilted kale (£14.95); and for vegetarians, ratatouille stuffed peppers, topped with grilled mozzarella served with garlic toasts and mixed leaf salad.

A range of steaks – from rump at £13.95, to a fillet or T-bone for £18.95 – are also on the menu with a range of sauces (included in the price – Diane, pepper, garlic and herb butter and smoked tomatoes.

As well as the a la carte menu, The Gallery also offer two substantial specials - the midweek steak deal of two 8oz rump steaks and a bottle of wine for £25; and the lobster dinner deal, two fresh lobsters and a bottle of wine for £48. The latter is available on Wednesdays to Saturday with reservations essential.

A party on a neighbouring table celebrating a birthday went for the lobster special (served with rice and asparagus) and it certainly looked appetising.

It was our intention to share a sweet but seeing some of the mouth-watering concoctions coming out of the kitchen, we decided to be brave and order a dessert each.

Jackie decided on the treacle and orange tart, served warm with cream or ice-cream (£5) and I couldn't ignore the Jamaican lime crunch with its deep ginger base and creamy filling (£5).

It was billed as "once tasted, not forgotten" which wasn't far from the truth. Baked chocolate cheesecake served with a raspberry coulis (also £5) was also on the dessert menu and a wide selection of cheeses was on offer for £6.50, served with biscuits, celery, apple and olive jam.

Pudding wines are a bit of an acquired taste and few restaurants stock them these days. Not so The Gallery. They offer two sweet wines, available by the bottle or a glass for £5.50 (125 ml) or £3 (50 ml). A glass of vintage port will cost you £3.60.

Overall, The Gallery has a very extensive wine list, especially for a bistro, ranging from a Cote du Rhone bin end for £12 a bottle to a three litre (party bottle) of Dogajola Sangiovese full-bodied red at £58.20. There's a full range of wines from all the leading wine producing countries, including Argentina, with prices averaging between £14.50 to £19.50 a bottle.

■ LAMB shank with broad beans

■ HAKE with samphire greens and herby mash

An increasingly popular feature of life at The Gallery is the monthly themed nights which over the past year have included a Greek night, Bastille celebration, James Bond casino night and a medieval banquet.

The next one is a Rocky Horror Murder Show on October 30th, the £30 ticket including a three-course meal, murder mystery entertainment, costume and detective prizes.

The Gallery is also a popular venue for Sunday lunch with traditional roast served from 11am to 3pm. One main course will cost £8.95, two courses £13.50; three courses £17.95, iirloin of mature beef, roast loin of pork and a whole roasted partridge being some of the dishes available.

The Gallery also doubles for local artists to showcase their talent, closing on the first Tuesday of each month to launch a new exhibition with a private viewing. Currently showing are the oil paintings of local artist Michael Aplin.

Chard has never been on my list of Saturday nights out but visiting The Gallery may well change that. Simon and Tracey have enjoyed their first year at The Gallery – so have their ever increasing list of satisfied customers.

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Setting an Example

ELLIOTT Gleave, aka Example, has had the summer of his life. Inspired by Mike Skinner (The Streets) and borrowing heavily from Eminem's sound, Example's pop/rap /electro stylings on second album *Won't Go Quietly* saw the Fulham lad appearing at festivals up and down the country, and taking the charts by storm. Singles 'Won't Go Quietly' and 'Kickstarts' received huge amounts of airplay, and both entered the top 10.

You can be guaranteed thumping bass, mass sing- along chorus and wicked beats when Example plays at the O2 Academy in Bristol on Tuesday, October 5th, from 7pm. Tickets are £10 available from www.ticketline.co.uk

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Going Out Gigs

Top French guitarist Claude Bourbon for candlelit concert

THE amazing French guitarist Claude Bourbon is coming back to Somerset! He will be at The Barn at The Square and Compass on Tuesday, October 5th - one of only three UK dates he is fitting in between a European tour and an extensive tour of the USA.

Some of this guitarists' influences allow us a fascinating insight into this remarkable musician; Paco De Lucia: Deep Purple's Richie Blackmore; Joaquin Rodrigo; JJ Cale, Monty Python; JS Bach and Fleetwood Mac's Stevie Nicks. Whatever the influence his music has and will continue to evolve over the years. Bourbon gets his musical inspiration from around the world including Spanish Middle Eastern, Russia and Europe. Claude Bourbon takes the different sounds heard from different regions and molds them into the songs and melodies you hear at his shows. His songs may be blues-sounding, ballads, rock, jazz or even unique and unclassifiable.

Born in France in the early 60's Claude grew up in Switzerland and started to play guitar at 15 years of age having firstly been influenced by the old version of 'House of the Rising Sun' then moving into classical guitar. He then developed a love of blues and having joined a band travelled all over Europe. He then moved back to South France and started writing songs and released his first album.. After 5 years of playing with musicians that had also played with Elton John, Miles Davis and Gary Moore he moved to the east of France and went solo playing the music he loved best - the blues.

Claude first played in England in 1998 with another CD 'Bourbon Street' swiftly following, since then he has travelled regularly between France and England appearing at many of both countrys top festivals as well as opening shows for Mike Sanchez, Wilco Johnson and Kent DuChaine.

Claude Bourbon performs a candlelit acoustic concert at The Barn at The Square and Compass, Windmill Hill, near Ilminster, on Tuesday, October 5th. Food and accomodation is available, but booking is essential for both. Admission is £8, doors open 8pm and Claude starts at 9pm. Telephone 01823 480 467 for more detaiils or for bookings.

● **FRENCH FLAIR** Claude Bourbon

Going Out Film

This week's new releases

DIRECTED by Nigel Cole (Calendar Girls) ***Made In Dagenham***[15] tells the tale of the 187 women that worked at the Ford Motor companies Dagenham factory - and their struggle to earn equal rights and pay with the 55,000 male workers at the factory.

Set in 1968, the economy was used to frequent union uprisings and strikes – but this was the first time that it was the women upholsterers who sewed car seat covers that took the initiative. After being "down-graded" to a non-skilled status – the women rose as one to walk out, in an action that brought them into direct conflict with the management, their own unions and their own husbands, and eventually brought the Ford motor company to it's knees

As well as lead character Rita O'Grady, played by Sally Hawkins, there are some strong performances by other members of the cast – specifically, Bob Hoskins as Albert, Miranda Richardson as an exuberant Barbra Castle, Bond-girl Rosamund Pike as Lisa, Geraldine James as Connie, Kenneth Cranham as Monty (Unions) and Richard Schiff as Robert Tooley (Ford).

CLAUSTROPHOBIC thriller ***Buried***[15] sees Ryan Reynolds in the lead role as US contractor Paul

Conroy, working in Iraq.

After a brutal attack by Iraqi locals, Paul wakes to find himself buried underground with only a lighter and a mobile phone. He faces a race against time to uncover who put him there, why they did it, and how to get out of the coffin alive.

THE Takers[12A] sees a seasoned team of bank robbers, including Gordon Jennings (Idris Elba), John Rahway (Paul Walker), A.J. (Hayden Christensen), and brothers Jake (Michael Ealy) and Jesse Attica (Chris Brown) successfully complete their latest heist and lead a life of luxury while planning their next job. When Ghost (Tip T.I. Harris), a former member of their team, is released from prison he convinces the group to strike an armored car carrying $20 million. As the "takers" carefully plot out their strategy and draw nearer to exacting the grand heist, a reckless police officer (Matt Dillon) inches closer to apprehending the criminals.

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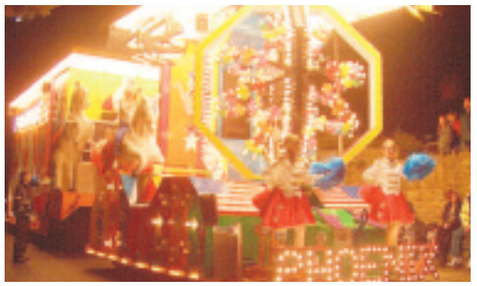

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Aston Martin named the coolest brand

ASTON MARTIN has been named the UK's coolest brand, winning this prestigious accolade for a remarkable fourth time in five years.

Since it was established in 2001, the CoolBrands initiative has sought expert opinions from an eclectic panel of creative industry specialists and consumers, defining which brands combine desirable products with a dynamic, innovative public image.

Once again, Aston Martin has topped a poll which includes leading contemporary design-driven brands, including Apple and Bang & Olufsen, as well as other leading automotive brands. The top 20 list presents an eclectic mix of new technology and design and engineering classics, a perfect illustration of how Aston Martin's global image fuses tradition and modernity. Aston Martin was also voted the top automotive brand surpassing other luxury and specialist manufacturers.

The judging process involves an assessment of some 10,000 brands, which are then further whittled down to 500 'CoolBrands', from where the ultimate top 20 is compiled. According to Stephen Cheliotis, Chief Executive of The Centre for Board Analysis and Chairman of the CoolBrands Council, "Aston Martin's sleek, polished and sexy cars ensure the brand continues to dominate the list of the nation's coolest brands, as judged by experts and consumers alike. Traditional favourites continue to challenge new, cutting edge brands."

Aston Martin CEO, Dr Ulrich Bez added, "Once you can define precisely why a brand is cool, then it no longer has the magic that earns it that label. There has to be an element of mystique, something that eludes definition. In order for a brand to have that quality, it needs people behind it with a passionate, creative vision who care for and nurture it."

The past decade has seen Aston Martin transformed from a small-scale manufacturer of specialist sports cars to a major international force in both road and racing cars. 2000 was the beginning of the company's renaissance - a new era - and the start of unprecedented investment in development and production technology.

The years that followed saw the introduction of three seminal Aston Martin models, the DB9, V8 Vantage and DBS, all constructed at the company's ultra-modern factory at Gaydon in Warwickshire, where technology, design excellence and timeless craft skills are seamlessly combined. A dedicated Design Studio was added to the production complex in 2007, housing a skilled creative team led by Aston Martin's Director of Design, Marek Reichman.

In 2009 Aston Martin launched the high-performance V12 Vantage, combining the knowledge and expertise attained on the track with everyday usability and refinement. This was followed in 2010, with the release of the Rapide to worldwide acclaim. As the world's most elegant four-door sports car, the Rapide is functional yet luxurious and provides space for up to four adults combined with an engaging driving experience synonymous with all Aston Martins.

2011 will see the first deliveries of the Aston Martin One-77, the ultimate expression of what Aston Martin stands for and combines modern technology and design with craftsmanship and ultimate exclusivity to create the world's most desirable automotive art form. The One-77 will be built to exacting standards in a new dedicated manufacturing space at Gaydon. Just 77 examples of this hand-built carbon fibre and aluminium sports car will be made, powered by a radically reworked 7.3 litre V12 to create the fastest and most evocative Aston Martin ever made.

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Revised Nissan X-trail: competitive pricing and lower emissions

NISSAN has unveiled prices for the revised X-TRAIL SUV, on sale now for first customer deliveries in October.

Already highly acclaimed for its durability, practicality and convenience, the revisions include an updated exterior design plus new levels of interior quality, comfort and functionality and CO2 performance.

The entry level X-TRAIL remains the Acenta, now priced at only £23,995 on-the-road. This undercuts the Honda CR-V ES diesel by £685, and the Land Rover Freelander GS by more than £1,000. Standard equipment on the Acenta includes body coloured electrically adjusting door mirrors, privacy glass, automatic headlamps and wipers, front fog lamps and 17-inch alloy wheels.

The range-topping Tekna model costs just £27,495. Additional features above Acenta trim include power-folding door mirrors, xenon headlamps, panoramic sunroof and leather seats. The infotainment package incorporates a Connect Premium HDD sat-nav with music server and USB port, a rear view camera and BOSE audio with nine speakers.

CO2 emissions for the X-TRAIL 2.0-litre dCi 173 PS diesel manual now stand at just 168g/km. That's a drop of 30g/km, or 15%. This moves the car down two VED tax bands from Band J (£425) to Band H (£250). It also takes the company car BIK percentage liability from 32% to 26%. There has also been significant improvement on fuel economy, with performance up from 38.2mpg to 44.1mpg on the combined cycle.

The 2.0-litre dCi 150 PS diesel automatic also benefits from Nissan's engineering excellence. The CO2 drops from 216g/km to 188g/km, or 13%, which takes the car from VED Band K to Band J and company car BIK liability from 35% to 30%. Fuel economy improves from 34.9mpg to 39.8mpg on the combined cycle.

Andy Connell, 4x4 Marketing Manager commented: "These changes make the X-TRAIL one of the most competitive compact SUVs available today. In terms of performance versus emissions, it could be considered the class leader. Our extensive upgrades will help maintain its position in the SUV segment as one of the few truly versatile and agile four-wheel drive vehicles on sale in the UK."

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Porsche announces record turnover

PORSCHE AG, Stuttgart, has again achieved outstanding results in the business year 2009/10 (July 31).

According to the preliminary figures, with a growth of 17.9 percent to 7.79 billion euros, Porsche achieved the highest turnover in company history. Sales also rose by 8.8 percent to 81,850 (previous year: 75,238) vehicles.

Michael Macht, Chairman of the Porsche AG Board of Management, foresees a further dynamic company development: "The record turnover dramatically demonstrates that Porsche has regained its former strength. Porsche will also follow up the positive trend in the current business year." Macht primarily bases this upon the Cayenne and Panamera, along with the 911 Speedster and the 911 Carrera GTS. Both of these new models will celebrate their world premiere at the Paris Motor Show this week.

In the previous business year 2009/10, the Panamera, which was introduced on the worldwide market in September 2009, achieved sales of 20,615 units. The highest-volume model line remained the Cayenne with 29,855 sold. Despite the model changeover in the series in spring 2010, the decline only amounted to 12.9 percent. The entirely new Cayenne, at Porsche Centres since May of this year, has already reached 11,618 units.

The sales of the 911 series were affected by the continuing difficult economic conditions facing the sports car market. In the business year 2009/10, according to preliminary figures, sales dropped by 27.4 percent to 19,663 units. It should be noted, however, that the model mix was improved. Total sales for the new 911 Turbo and the 911 Turbo S amounted to 4,055 units. Sales of the Boxster and Cayman together declined by 10.8 percent to 11,717 units. Of these, 6,865 were the Boxster roadster and 4,852 the Cayman.

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Rovers and Blues look to bounce back in league

MERRIOTT Rovers and Ilminster Town Reserves meet in Premier league action tomorrow on the back of differing fortunes in last weekend's Coronation cup round one ties.

Rovers led cup-holders Lyme Regis early on through a Scott Jennings strike but ultimately paid the price for two clumsy fouls in their own penalty which gave Lyme's Mark Bailey the opportunity to complete a pretty low-grade hat-trick in a fiesty encounter.

Ilminster Town Ressies had a better day. The Blues matched South Petherton in most departments before scraping through via Paul Hardy's spot-kick in a 5-4 penalty shoot-out win.

Both teams head into Saturday's clash protecting 100 percent records in the, albeit, fledgling season - so something's got to give. Traditionally, there's seldom to choose between these old rivals, expect more of the same tomorrow.

It also took a penalty shoot-out to separate Misterton and Perry Street following a 2-2 draw at Unity Lane. Jak Flatt and Matt Atkinson scored for Missy with Ben Stevens and Jamie Roberts replying to deny the hosts their first win of the season.

South Petherton will be aiming to extend their lead at the top of the Premier division when they visit bottom-of-the-table Combe Reserves.

The ongoing wrangle over the eligibility of striker Marcus Alexander, who played in Pethy's two league victories over Farway United and West & Middle Chinnock, is still unresolved. Petherton manager Gordy Childs has even paid a visit to the Somerset FA office in Glastonbury to try to establish once and for all whether the player is still suspended from his time with Kingsbury.

Barrington, fresh from their first win of the season (3-2 at Combe), head into Devon to take on Farway United who appear to be causing the big boys one or two problems

Beaminster, third last season, could well be title-contenders under Sean Annetts who, after a short spell refereeing, is back at the Rainbows' helm for the third time. Annetts' side were however given a fright last weekend and scraped a 3-2 win over plucky Farway in a match which could have gone either way.

West & Middle Chinnocks' remarkable rise through the divisions reaches it's culmination tomorrow when they welcome the reigning Perry Street League Champions Lyme Regis to Oxleaze. The Chinnocks have made a faltering start to the life in the top division and come up against a side unbeaten on its travels for nigh on two years.

DIVISION ONE: Two of the early front runners as promotion candidates clash at Henhayes where Crewkerne Town welcome Millwey Rise. The Tigers are clearly favourites to make an instant return to premier division - but they should beware; the East Devon side are unbeaten in 25 league games.

At the other end of the form scale Ilminster Colts entertain a Charmouth side desperately looking to end their freefall which has resulted in almost a full calendar year without a win.

DIVISION TWO: The leaky Forton Rangers Reserves defence which has been breached 17 times in three matches will look to tighten up when they entertain Pymore.

Meanwhile Dowlish & Donyatt have their first run-out on home turf looking to end a run of six straight league defeats - The stripes entertain free-scoring Uplyme who have netted 13 in two games.

DIVISION THREE: Luso-Chard can boast the league's current top-scorer: Marco Quedas has already scored 11 in just four outings.

Quedas and his Portuguese team mates could go second in the table with a win against Combe A who are without a win on the road for 12 games.

All eight teams away in county cup

The Saints hopes of seeing a Combe team name appear on the John Fowler Cup for the first time ended at Drimpton last weekend where they were beaten 4-2 on penalties following a 3-3 draw.

Sixteen-year-old Luke Finn marked his debut for Chard United with a hat-trick in Saturday's 5-0 thrashing of Farway United Reserves - a result which brought the curtain down on the Devonians 15 game unbeaten home run. United are one of eight teams in Somerset Intermediate Cup round one action tomorrow.

By a strange twist of luck all eight PSDL teams have been handed away draws - looks like the Somerset FA computer needs oiling!

Chard Rangers head off to Bridgwater - based Redgate looking for an upturn in form which has brought only defeat so far this season for new manager Justin Mason and his squad.

GOING WELL: Luso-Chard could well be one of the promotion chasers in Division Three. Line-up, back row from left: Livio Sampaio, Carlos Corriera, Gerson Maia, Rui Mestrinho, Bruno Ferriera, Vitor Ferriera, Joao Saraiva. Front: Carlos Noguiera, Ricardo Silva, Sergio Plasco, Marco Quedas, Luis Mesquita, Rui Rodrigues.
Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

Conversley, after a couple of wobbly weeks, Crewkerne Rangers have begun to hit the kind of form that has brought back-to-back promotions. Rangers face the trek to Radstock to take on Westfield.

DIVISION FOUR: Unbeaten Combe B will look to extend their lead at the top of division four when they entertain new boys West & Middle Chinnock Reserves who tasted defeat for the first time when they went down 4-2 against Hinton Reserves at Oxleaze. Combe had a Jay Stewart hat-trick to thank for their win at Chard Utd Reserves.

Thorncombe Reserves renew aquaintances with Waytown Hounds the team they beat 4-1 to land the Reg Eglons Cup - their first ever trophy - at Misterton back in April.

Barrington Reserves should head into tomorrows match with perennial strugglers Hawkchurch Reserves full of confidence having won the last four meetings between the clubs and scoring 19 times in the process.

Shepton Beauchamp Reserves visit Chard United Reserves having been surprisingly held 3-3 by the Hawkchurch second-string.

THIS WEEKEND'S FIXTURES

Saturday, October 2nd
SOMERSET INTERMEDIATE CUP
Round One
Redgate v Chard Rangers
Winscombe v Chard United
Westfield v Crewkerne Rangers
Appletree v Forton Rangers
Cleeve West Town v Perry Street Reserves
Rising Sun v Shepton Beauchamp
Milverton v South Petherton Reserves

DORSET JUNIOR CUP
Round One
Piddlehinton Utd v Lyme Regis Reserves
Bradford Abbas v Netherbury

John Fowler Cup
Round One
Lyme Regis Bantams v Misterton Res
Millwey Rise Res v Farway United Res

PREMIER
Combe St Nicholas Res v South Petherton
Farway United v Barrington
W & M Chinnock v Lyme Regis
Merriott Rovers v Ilminster Town Res

DIVISION ONE
Crewkerne Town v Millwey Rise
Ilminster Town Colts v Charmouth
Norton Athletic v Winsham United

DIVISION TWO
Beaminster Reserves v Hawkchurch United
Dowlish & Donyatt v Uplyme
Forton Rangers Reserves v Pymore

DIVISION THREE
Luso-Chard v Combe St Nicholas A
Winsham United Reserves v Drimpton

DIVISION FOUR
Barrington Res v Hawkchurch United Res
Chard Utd Res v SheptonBeauchamp Res
Combe B v W & M Chinnock Reserves
Hinton St George Res v Ilminster Town A
Waytown Hounds v Thorncombe Res

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ROB Sutton's Ilminster Reserves to take on Beaminster

Saints to host cup holders Lyme

CORONATION CUP: Revised quarter-final draw (ties to be played October 16th) *Combe Reserves v Lyme Regis*
Farway United v West & Middle Chinnock Barrington v Perry Street
Beaminster v Ilminster Town Reserves
HOLDERS Lyme Regis look to have a decent cup draw - the Seasiders are due to visit struggling Combe St Nicholas Reserves. However, the Saints with manager Gary Biss having been promoted from running the Combe A side following Mark Parris' resignation, will have other ideas.
Tie of the round looks to be the visit of Ilminster Town Reserves to Beaminster's Memorial Ground - it could be a close-run affair.

Chinnocks lose second striker

CARY BOUND | West & Middle Chinnock striker Mark Cawley

WEST & Middle Chinnock have lost the services of striker Mark Cawley who has moved to Yeovil & District League Premier Division outfit Castle Cary.

The loss off Cawley, in addition to that of Ian Masters who departed for Ilminster Town in the summer, has left the Chinnocks, on paper at least, looking rather light on the goal-scoring front.

The duo were responsible for 135 of the side's goals as they made the climb through the divisions since their reformation back in 2007-08.

A comment on the W&MC's excellent website said: "All at the club wish the player the very best for the future."

Chard Rangers hit the nationals

THE plight of Chard Rangers has made the national newspapers!

New first team manager Justin Mason explained to *Weekender Sport*: "One of my players from last year, Gavin Barnes, now lives in London and is friendly with one the *News Of The World* staff. He suggested Chard Rangers might like to apply to be featured in the new 'Score Stars' feature - where the paper focuses on amateur football.

"I sent details giving the history of the club, our donkey of the week award, superstar of the week, worst haircut etc.

"The paper in turn spoke to four of our players and we were subsequently the featured team in a recent edition of the NotW! "They mainly focused on Ben Chubb's battle with cancer and how we raised funds for charity and that we were a bit of a 'marmite team'- some teams love us and some hate us.

"Hopefully, we can use this publicity to highlight some of the problems we're facing at the moment. We normally change at Chard Cricket Club and pay £20 a week. This has now been increased to £50 and, being a small club as we are, it would mean us probably charging our players £10 a week to play football.

"We currently pay the Chard Town Council £150 a year to play at Jocelyn Park, they send someone to cut the grass from time to time but most of the time we have to maintain it ourselves.

"What we are hoping is to meet the council to see if we can get some help finding somewhere to erect changing rooms.

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Weekender Sport puts Crewkerne's new player manager Nick Murphy ... ON THE SPOT - see page 31

RUGBY REVIEW

Trio of victories for Chard

By **Keith Jenkin**

CHEW VALLEY Nil, CHARD 78pts
CHARD, having enjoyed an excellent start to its league campaign, continued in this vein on Saturday last by beating a Chew Valley side, who were not nearly as inept as the score suggests, by a distance. They faced the home slope initially and, in fact, the first few minutes play were laced with errors.

Then the first try went in and, for the next thirty minutes their rugby was excellent, and moreover, clinical. They crossed the home side's whitewash no less than eight times before the break, and moreover converted seven of the touch downs to lead 54-0 at the halfway stage.

Their first half tries came from Ryan Hellier, Neil Douglas (two), Herbert, Ben King, Lee Carter (two) and Lee Massey. Bennett kicked seven conversions as Chard really ran riot.

As the result and bonus point were now safe, Chard rang the changes at the interval but the scores continued to accrue, although not in the profusion of the first-half. Prop Sugar got over, as did Douglas, and Doug and Glyn Herbert. Two conversions were added to complete the route and, although Chew Valley had never given up and made things as difficult as they were able they were, in the end, beaten by a vastly superior side.

Apart from applauding the general play of his side, coach Steve Broome will certainly be happy with both the place kicking of Bennett and the general performance of his scrum half, standing in for the injured Nicholls. The scrum worker has had two games in the 'armchair' to bed himself in and to prepare himself for the sterner tests that will surely come, starting on Saturday with the visit of Taunton seconds.

CHARD 2nd 58pts, NORTH PETHERTON 2nd 3pts
IT would appear that the Chard second side is following in its first team's footsteps for, after a rather quiet first-half, at the end of which they led 15-0, the floodgates opened. In all, the visitors scored ten tries with but a lone penalty goal coming in reply.

Chard scorers were, Spurway, Ashley Smith, David Lane, Matt Tinley, who was at the centre of most things good about his side's rugby; Stuart Gold, David Baker (two), Robbie Walker (two) and Ben Robinson. Lane and Gold kicked two conversions apiece to complete the scoring.

CHARD 3rd 29pts, MINEHEAD BARBARIANS 3rd 19pts
THIS was the closest of Chard's three games, played at the weekend and had the distinction of being refereed by Mike Berry (poacher turned gamekeeper!)

Honours were even at the halfway stage at 14-14, with Chard's tries coming from David Biss and skipper Clive Adams, with Lee Brun converting both.

Two further tries came for the home side in the second period. Biss got his second of the game. Mick Duffy got over and Brun added a conversion. Skipper Adams chipped in with a drop goal** to seal the win, while the visitors could only manage an unconverted try in reply.

CREWKERNE 7pts, CASTLE CARY 25pts
CREWKERNE, rebuilding as they are, held the visitors, one of the better sides in the division, during the first half, changing round 7-10 down, with their try coming from Will Draper, converted by Godfrey.

FIXTURES 2nd October: Chard v Taunton 2nd; Taunton 3rd v Chard 2nd; Chard 3rd v Burnham on Sea 2nd; North Petherton 2nd v Crewkerne.

New coach at Swimming club

SPORTS BRIEFING...

World Class swimmer and Commonwealth Champion, Zoe Baker, commences her new role as Head Coach of Chard and District Swimming club, writes ***Steph Hallam.***

Miss Baker holds high hopes for the club, aspiring to build upon their recent successes. One of her plans is to target all individuals so that they are inspired to do their best. This will be achieved by allowing each swimmer to always train hard, aiming for a higher goal in their own training squad.

A mirror training programme has been introduced at the club, following excellent results at Street and District Swimming Club, where Zoe has been working as Head coach for the last year.

She will now work two part time contracts with both Chard and Street which will provide a platform to build an exciting partnership, whilst maintaining the individual identities of each club.

Her approach to swimming coaching is that of a professional manner, as she believes that "individual differences in training approaches must be addressed".

This is apparent in her decision to enforce a mirror programme so that both clubs are training to a consistently high standard. Variation is the key to motivation and as a result the "swimmer must be happy to swim fast."

Zoe started her career of competitive Swimming at the age of 9, with her home club Eckington Swimming Club in Derbyshire. She was also a member of the City of Sheffield swimming club where she earned a well deserved Junior record. At the young age of 16, she was swimming as a part of the Great Britain team.

In the summer of 1999, Zoe broke her first European record in the 50m Breaststroke, claiming her first International medal, as a result of her training in New Zealand with Kim Swanick.

2002 was the year for achievement where she claimed four World records, three short courses (25m pool) and one long course (50m pool) record, winning her debut Commonwealth Medal in her home Country, England.

The club will now look forward to a new challenge with a positive individual who can continue to develop the club to compete with the best, having previous swimming qualities and a real desire for success in, what will be, an exciting new era for the club.

Chard and District are always looking for swimmers from the age of eight to join and train with a Competitive squad or just to train for enjoyment. Visit our new Website at www.chardswimming.org.uk

■ **ZOE BAKER- Multi-medallist and four-time World Record Holder who is the C&DSC new Head Coach**

FOOTBALL - SOMERSET SENIOR

Shaw: We need to find some stability

By **Howard Larcombe**

■ **CHARD TOWN** Entertain Cadbury Heath at Zembard tomorrow (3pm) and will be hoping for a less eventful match than last week's visit to Keynsham Town which was abandoned on the hour mark due to a serious jaw injury to the Keys' Dale Riley. The Robins, currently bottom of the Toolstation Division One table, led 2-1 thanks to a double from Danny Cleal.

Manager Glynn Shaw told ***Weekender Sport*** that he felt his side would have gone on to win the game. He said: "We were dominating at the time and had just hit the woodwork."

Shaw is looking to get stability into his squad. "I'm having to make five or six changes for every game - it's difficult," he said.

On Tuesday Chard welcome Taunton Town for a Somerset Premier Cup round one tie (7.30pm kick-off). Shaw confirmed that he would aim to field his first team squad. "Obviously I'll assess the situation after Saturday's game. I'm trying to build a core of players - continuity is essential.

" I don't want to take too many from Darren's (Stewart) Reserve team. It's important to the club that they aim for promotion to reduce the step-up from Reserves to the first team."

Stewart's side, who have started with two wins including an 8-0 thumping of Crescent last weekend, face the return trip tomorrow.

■ **ILMINSTER TOWN,** currently lying fourth in the Somerset League Division One, welcome early pacesetters Frome Collegians to the Rec tomorrow.

Player-manager Darren Manley is without keeper Chris May. "I'm going to use either Barry Dobson or youngster Liam Williams. I've not decided yet, " he said.

Alex Paul is another missing through injury but Matt Cotterell is back in contention for a place having recovered from a toe injury.

■ **COMBE St Nicholas** The Saints face a tough-looking trip to Yatton Athletic's Hangstones Field in Division One (West) of the Somerset League.

The hosts have amassed 20 goals in their last four games. "They (Yatton) usually start the season strongly before tailing off. They've certainly got a couple of lively strikers in Alex Bird and Sam Morris this season " said Hutchings.

The Combe boss will be without Neil Parsons and goalkeeper Jason Hutchings for the trip. "Jason injured his shoulder at work and aggrevated it at training so Scott Wells-Burr will be between the sticks.

"We think Neil may have broken a bone in his ankle at Backwell on Saturday; he's in plaster and looks to be out for at least two weeks.

"We don't seem to have much luck up there (Backwell) - that was where Andy Stevenson was injured last season and he hasn't played since."

On the plus side Hutchings was hopeful of including striker Ben Haines who is at university at nearby Bath.

■ **ENCOURAGING START: Darren Stewart's (right) reign as Chard Town Reserves' player-manager has started with two wins. (Inset: Rob Stubbins, notched first goal for the Robins in the 8-0 thrashing of Crescent last weekend).**
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Crewkerne Skittles League

Division One	Pld	Pts
Coachmen	1	14
Headhunter	1	12
Lost Boys	1	12
Sports 92	1	11
Muddled Men	1	11
Royal Oak Drimpton	1	11
Super Sexy Six	1	10
The Fryers	1	10
King Willy Dogs	1	9
Swan Fokkers	1	3
Disney	1	3
Rollers	1	2

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Pinbusters	2	21
Football Club	2	13
Swan Cobs	2	12
Concorde	2	12
Rug Rats	2	11
Loud & Proud	2	11
Coombe Boys	2	11
Nomads	1	10
Willy Low Flyers	1	10
Brewers Bees	2	4
Kings Head B	1	3
Skimmers	1	2

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Numpties	2	22
Royal Oak A	2	18
Perrott Monkeys	2	12
Contwistadors	1	11
Chis Colts	1	11
Dinnington Astros	1	9
Con Club Legends	2	5
Swan Fixers	2	3
Motley Crew	1	3
Sandbaggers	1	2
Muppets	0	0
Hung Like Horses	1	0

Bovey's 40 takes top spot

CHEDINGTON COURT GOLF
with Chris Gingell
RESULTS: Weekend Roll Up (September 25th): 1st Adam Elwick 39pts (ocb); 2nd Tyler Lennox-Gordon 39pts, 3rd Nye Dang 36pts.
Sunday Stapleford (September 26th):
Division One - 1st: Adrian Bovey 40pts (ocb); 2nd: Paul Wills 40pts, 3rd: Nick Taylor 39pts.
Division Two – 1st: James Prendergast 42pts (ocb); 2nd: Paul Jennings 42pts; 3rd: Robin Samways 41pts
Division Three – 1st: Mark Gibson 35pts; 2nd Kevin Costigan 34pts; 3rd Steve Edgar 33pts.
Order of Merit: This year's winner is Nick Taylor with 67.50 pts, second was Steve Fussell 54.50 and third James Prendergast with 54.20 pts.

Bowls round-up

■ **CHARD**: ON Wednesday, 22nd September, Chard Bowling Club were the visitors at Wellington Bowling Club where they played mixed triples on four rinks in a friendly game *writes Penny Herrick*.

Unfortunately, Chard lost on every rink. There was much friendly banter after in the clubhouse and Chard thanked Wellington for their hospitality.

At Chard Club's committee meeting on Thursday, 23rd September, it was reported that Milford & Dormor will continue to give their support to the club by way of sponsorship for short mat competitions and how appreciative the club is to them for this.

Bishop Funeral Services also give sponsorship to the club and support the Lawn Green Tournamentsthroughout the summer. Again the club is very grateful for their continued support.

■ **DONYATT**: THE indoor season gets underway at Donyatt Bowling club with two friendly fixtures. Today (Friday) there is 4-mixed match v Severalls at 2pm.
On Monday to club welcomes a touring side from Stevenage for a 6-mixed friendly again 2pm start.

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Glovers In Focus

By Stuart Broom

Glovers face fight to survive

Battling display earns a point from draw with Southampton

YEOVIL Town recovered from a chronic performance against Exeter City last Saturday, with a battling display against Southampton on Tuesday that earned them a 1-1 draw at Huish Park.

However, the Glovers who were made relegation favourites before the season started need to show more of the passion displayed on Tuesday rather than the lack-lustre effort against the Grecians.

It would appear that manager Terry Skiverton learned from his mistake of Saturday when he reshuffled his central defensive partnership of Adam Virgo and John Huntingdon to accommodate Stefan Stam in place of injured skipper Craig Allcock. The decision backfired hopelessly. Virgo was less effective at right back whilst Stam had a very poor game which Exeter exploited.

For the match against Southampton, Skiverton reverted to the Virgo/Huntingdon central formation and dropped Stam in preference to Luke Ayling who played at right back.

The central duo were superb; their no nonsense, determined attitude virtually negating the threat of Ricky Lambert and Lee Barnard, whilst Ayling gave the defence a better balance.

But Skiverton persisted on packing the midfield and playing a lone striker, Dean Bowditch, despite the fact they were the home side. On Saturday he brought on Sam Williams early in the second half and he promptly grabbed an equaliser, but he waited until four minutes from time against Southampton before making the change, never giving themselves a chance for it to work.

Despite the point they have now slipped into the relegation zone.

The last two seasons have seen the Glovers struggle, living on a knife edge, and they have only avoided relegation in the last couple of games. If they do not arrest the slide soon, the season may be over well before then.

◆ ***The Huish Park faithful paid their respects to Yeovil legend Len Harris who died recently, aged 73, with a minute's applause before the match against Southampton.***

Centre-half Harris set a record for the number of appearances for the Glover's that is not likely to be ever broken.

He joined Yeovil Town in 1958 and over the following 14 years made 691 appearances for the club, winning a number of trophies including two Southern League Premier Division titles and the Southern League Cup twice. During his time at Huish he played under six managers.

His funeral will be held today (Friday October 1st) at at St John's Church, Yeovil, at 12.30pm followed by internment at Yeovil Crematorium.

Motor Sport

Corolla WRC takes third overall on National Event

SOUTH Somerset driver Gary Le Coadou and co-driver Paul Hollingham had a very successful weekend in their Toyota Corolla WRC finishing third overall in the penultimate round of the MSA National Asphalt Rally Championship the Patriot Stage Rally.

The national event, held at Caerwent in Wales, attracted 100 crews from all over the UK and consisted of seven stages with 64 competitive stage miles.

This was the fourth event for the newly assembled Corolla WRC that has been an ongoing project for Gary over the last two years. He and his partner Penny travelled to the Czech Republic to buy the ex-Henning Solberg Corolla shell and then made many trips all over Europe collating all the necessary parts to rebuild this fantastic car.

■ **TEAMWORK From left; Tracey & Paul Hollingham, Penny & Gary Le Coadou and Service crew; Andy Hollingham, Rob King and Bill Paynter.**

The first few events have been used to 'test and set-up' the car and as you'd expect it did have teething problems but with things starting to come together the Team were hopeful of a top ten result.

However things rarely go smoothly in rallying and with cold tyres the Corolla came to a rather ungainly stop halfway up a grass bank on the first stage after overshooting a corner! Thankfully apart from a damaged front bumper the car appeared to be mechanically in one piece and in fifth position.

Over the next four stages Gary and Paul battled back tofourth place.

And after finishing the final stage they were delighted they had set fastest time and secured third overall and winners of the 4WD class.

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■ **COMBE St NICHOLAS FOOTBALL CLUB 50th ANNIVERSARY**

Combe St Nicholas FC are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of their reformation back in 1960.

Past players are invited to attend a meal at the Square & Compass, Ashill on Saturday, October 23rd.

Club chairman/first team manager Ivor Hutchings said of the event: "This will be a great chance to meet up with old friends and team mates.

"Tickets are selling fast, we've heard from several of the players from 60s already, so please be quick." Tickets (£15) and further information cam be obtained from Ivor Hutchings on 01460 234396 or 07737 827924.

In addition the Slades Cross club are also making preparations for their annual Halloween and Firework night party on Saturday, October 30th.

■ **DONYATT BOWLING CLUB OPEN DAY**

PROSPECTIVE new indoor bowlers are invited to come and 'have a try' at Donyatt Bowling Club's annual open day tomorrow from 11am to 3pm.

■ **RUNNING NEWS**

CREWKERNE Runners will be in attendance for leg 3 of Saturday's Perrott trail. The leg starts at the Boat & Anchor (Huntsworth) at 9.30am.

For more more details and information on the club visit crewkernerc.btik.com

Hockey

Youngsters emerge

TAW VALLEY LADIES 1 CHARD LADIES 1

CHARD travelled to Barnstaple with a team depleted by absences, and also having lost several experienced players from last season.

Turning to youth, Captain Sarah McDermott drafted in promising youngsters Emma Barron and Willow Rae, while veteran Ali Broughton gave much needed experience. Returning from Barnstaple with any points is always tough, so Chard set out their stall to frustrate the home side by having a robust and organised defence, supurbly marshalled by evergreen Lisa Cox at sweeper.

The back three of Mel Harris, Jones and Sterland rarely looked troubled as they mopped up pressure in the first-half before repeated counter attacks, mainly engineered by Humphries and Blackshaw, created all the better chances for Chard. It was hardly a surprise when Chard took the lead. A typically driving run and well-times pass by Blackshaw gave Mcdermott time and space in front of goal and the captain comfortably scored.

Chard maintained their work rate throughout most of the game, but as they tired Taw Valley exploited some of the gaps and a scrappy equaliser spoilt Hannah McGown's valedictory performance before she too goes off to university.

ON THE SPOT...

***WEEKENDER SPORT* PUTS *NICK MURPHY,* NEW PLAYER-MANAGER OF CREWKERNE TOWN , UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT**

Q How long have you been associated with Crewkerne Town FC and in what capacities?

A I started playing at Crewkerne at the age of 15 years of age. I've clocked-up 16 continues years to date, the previous four years as chairman and captain of the first team - this season as first team Manager.

Q Who are the three best players you've played alongside?

A **Gary Trusson**, Centre Midfield:His all-round game was superb, knew how to play the right game just at the right point, never gave up and was a great leader.

Jamie Spurdle. Left wing: He is still young but the ability of this boy is immense, he could play for nearly any club in the league or even higher but he is a town boy, Jamie could go on to be one of the best players Crewkerne have EVER had.

John Trusson, Manager: Even though I was too young to play along side 'Trussy', he was my manager for many years and helped me to develop and learn as a team player - guidance when you are young is a great thing to have.

Q What are your hopes for the club this season?

A Well with the squad both teams have this year we are both pushing for promotion.

People have said both teams should easily go up, but Ben Cox, Jimmy Symes (Reserve team managers) and myself know the League very well, every Saturday brings new obstacles!

Q Who are your tips for the top and bottom two in Perry Street League Division One this season?

A Top: Hopefully us and maybe Millway or Winsham. Bottom: Hard to tell at the moment, Division 1 is a hard league to get out of and stay in!

Q Name some young Crewkerne Town players we should look out for in the future.

A Danny Baker, Jamie Spurdle, Adam Dawe, Aaron Sweet (1st), Scott Barry, Aaron Hodges (Res)

We have a great bunch of youngsters so I could name them all.

NEXT WEEK: Thorncombe FC boss Gary Parsley

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